Facts and figures on Mühleberg nuclear power plant





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Mühleberg nuclear power plant	Boiling water reactor
Commercial startup	6 November 1972
Capacity - At startup - Today	302 MW (net) 372 MW (net)
Production 2010	Approx. 3 billion Kilowatt hours
Production since startup	In 2009 the KKM accounted for 5.2% of the electricity consumed in Switzerland (Source: FOE energy consumption statistics for 2009: 57.5 billion kWh)
Availability	93.3 % Exceptionally high availability by international standards By way of comparison: Availability of Juvent wind farm: approx. 30% Availability of Stade de Suisse: approx. 10 %
Number of fuel rods per year	36
Amount of enriched uranium per year	Approx. 7 tonnes
Number of consumers supplied	Around half a million
Direct and indirect added value generated per year	CHF 118 million (Source: BAK Basel Economics, 2007)
Number of employees (2010)	330 (+700 during the annual revisions)



Number of ENSI inspections in 2010	90 per year
Contribution to climate protection since startup	Approx 42 million tonnes of CO ₂ saved, measured against emissions from a 400-MW gas-fired combined-cycle power plant [Bauer et al./PSI 2008; NPP: 6g/kWh, CCGT: 426g/kWh]
Production costs	Approx. 7 cents per kWh By way of comparison: Production costs of Biomass power plant: 17-21 cents per kWh Wind farm: 18 – 29 Small hydroelectric power station: 24 – 40 Photovoltaic plant: 40 – 74 (Sources: Federal Office of Energy (FOE), Swiss Academy of Technical Sciences (SATS), Paul Scherrer Institute (PSI);International Energy Agency (IEA), BKW FMB Energy Ltd
Energy security	 BKW's largest power generating facility, covering around 40% of electricity requirements in the supply region. Key pillar in ensuring security of electricity supplies in north-western Switzerland. Reliable source even under exceptional circumstances (e.g storms such as Hurricane Lothar, Cyclone Vivian)
To achieve the same annual output as the KKM using other technologies would take roughly	 20 run-of-river power plants the size of Bannwil 740 2-MW wind turbines of the dimensions of Juvent; they would cover a surface area equivalent to around 3 times the size of Lake Thun 2278 Stade-de-Suisse solar power plants 2,476 biomass power plants on the scale of Ittigen
Other comparisons	 The KKM takes 3 hours to generate as much electricity as the Stade de Suisse solar power plant generates in a year. In 2007/08, measures to optimise the turbine systems resulted in a 134 GWh increase in the KKM's annual output: equivalent to the annual production volume of around 30 Juvent wind turbines (2 MW each)



